



UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Commissioner for Patents
United States Patent and Trademark Office
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450
www.uspto.gov

Paper No.

FISH & RICHARDSON PC
P.O. BOX 1022
MINNEAPOLIS MN 55440-1022

COPY MAILED

JAN 20 2010

In re Patent No. 6976008	:	
Issue Date: 12/13/2005	:	
Application Number: 09/975839	:	NOTICE
Filing or 371(c) Date: 10/11/2001	:	
Attorney Docket Number: 22188-002005	:	

This is a notice regarding your request for acceptance of a fee deficiency submission under 37 CFR 1.28 filed on October 16, 2009.

The Office no longer investigates or rejects original or reissue patent under 37 CFR 1.56. **1098 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 502 (January 3, 1989)**. Therefore, nothing in this Notice is intended to imply that an investigation was done.

Your fee deficiency submission under 37 CFR 1.28 is hereby **ACCEPTED**.

This patent is no longer entitled to small entity status. Accordingly, all future fees paid in this patent must be paid at the large entity rate.

Inquiries related to this communication should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3231.

Douglas Wood
Attorney
Office of Petitions